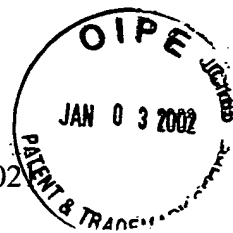


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**RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS
UNDER 35 USC 371 IN THE UNITED STATES
DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

This is filed in response to the Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 USC 371 in the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) dated August 28, 2001 with the enclosed original executed declaration and power of attorney hereby completes the requirements for acceptance of the application under 35 USC 371. An assignment is being filed under separate cover.

The Commissioner of Patents is hereby authorized to charge any surcharge fee for consideration and acceptance of these documents to Deposit Account No. 50-0548.

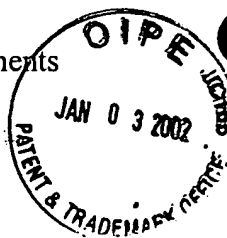
A petition for a one month extension of time with an authorization to charge our deposit account for the extension fee accompanies this response.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees are required, beyond those, which may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, in the event that additional extensions of time are necessary to allow consideration of this paper, such extensions are hereby petitioned under 37 CFR § 1.136(a), and any fee required therefore (including fees for

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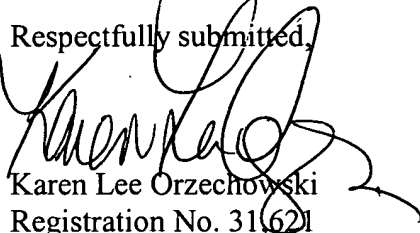
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net addition of claims) is hereby authorized to be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-0548 and notify the undersigned.

Should there be any questions, please contact the undersigned.

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